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No. 1 Leaves Weatherford 11:00 a. m.  
" Arrives at Mineral Wells 12:22 p. m.  
No. 2 Leaves Mineral Wells 7:20 a. m.  
" Arrives at Weatherford 8:52  
No. 3 Leaves Weatherford 6:15 p. m.  
" Arrives at Mineral Wells 6:15 p. m.  
No. 4 Leaves " 2:30 p. m.  
" Arrives at Weatherford 3:30 p. m.  
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## What Is The B. B?? Come and See!!! Seeing Is Knowing!!!

Some say it means Brass Band. Some Buck Blatherskite and others say Big Bargains, but the guessers are all wrong. The B. B. means the

# BIGGEST BARGAINS EVER OFFERED IN GRAHAM

In Dry Goods, Clothing, Gent's Furnishing Goods, and notions and is all important to the people these hard times; as stated, these prices will benefit every man woman and child in Young Co. Where can you find

## B. B.?

At the GEM DRY GOODS STORE. My house is full of fresh, new goods, just from the East, and are of the latest styles, and will be sold at the greatest bargains ever offered in Graham. The space below only permits us to give a few of the many bargains. I have bargains from the top to the bottom of my store.

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Call and see them. Call and see them. Call and see them.

These are the prices you read about but never find outside of the GEM.

### THE GEM DRY GOODS STORE.

#### A LOCAL OPTION CASE

**To be Fought to a Finish at Cleburne.**

Cleburne, Texas, March 20.—At the meeting of the executive committee of the local optionists this week Capt. O. T. Plummer stated the object of the meeting to be for the purpose of raising funds to employ lawyers to fight the suit filed last Saturday by C. T. Bomer of Alvarado to enjoin further proceedings being had by the county judge and to prevent the editor of the Chronicle from publishing such notifications as would be necessary for the law to become effective. English & Ewing, J. F. Henry, D. W. Odell and O. T. Plummer were employed to represent the local optionists and to attend the case at Hillboro.

Capt. Plummer says that the local optionists have a hard legal fight on hand, and he is satisfied that the case will be fought to a finish through all the courts. Mr. Bomer, on the other hand, has employed Messrs. Poindexter, Paddelford and Hon. W. F. Ramsey of the firm of Crane & Ramsey to defend him, and these gentlemen are shining lights in the state bar, so there will be a hotly contested legal battle. Whatever decision Judge Hall may render next Friday will only tend to delay the case for a while, as decisions from district judges are only preliminary, and so it is almost certain to reach the supreme court. This particular case is specially brought to test the whole law before our court of last resort. A good deal of interest is being manifested in the case.

#### Blasts From The Ram's Horn.

Love never complains that the price it has to pay is too much. In the drunkard's home the devil don't try to hide his cloven hoof. No matter who has the floor self-conceit always finds a way to speak. Keep the bible open, and the door of the poor-house will have to stay shut. The devil is still buying souls very cheap with a promise to pay spot cash. The man who makes his own god has one that drives him with an iron whip. A baby sin has no more right to live than one that is old enough to vote.

#### Cuban Rebellion.

Cuba is over 700 miles long and from 25 to 100 miles wide. It contains 45,000 square miles, and a small population of about 1,000,000 and nearly 500,000 negroes. The soil is very fertile. There are still great forests of mahogany, ebony and dyewoods. Cuban sugar and tobacco are famous.

Havana is but little over 125 miles from Key West. The island extends so far westward that Cape San Antonio is almost due south from Atlanta and is so near Yucatan that the intervening water is called a channel. It can be seen at once that a revolution in Cuba would be an event of extreme importance to the United States. Fifty years ago statesmen regarded the annexation of Cuba as part of manifest destiny. Though the vision has been dimmed by the slowness of time's movements, the reported extent of the present uprising will at once revive speculation upon the Union of a Cuban Republic with our nation.

The yoke of monarchy has borne grievously upon Cubans. They have endured bad government and obnoxious interference with trade. The rulers sent out from Spain are sent for themselves and their masters, not for the people they govern. If a rebellion gets a strong headway it should be hard to suppress. There are few harbors for the landing of troops and abundant means for the desultory warfare of irregular native forces, subsistence costs about as near nothing as can be conceived.

Cuba would be a valuable acquisition to the United States—more valuable than a thousand Hawaiis. Not only would the direct commerce be worth a great deal, but as a link in the chain of trade with the mainland of Spanish America it would powerfully develop the progress of Americans in that direction.

Annexation would be more profitable to the Cubans than to us, but it would also be an immense gain to our commercial life. Americans sympathize with the struggles of Cubans for home rule and consider with favor the possibility of union.—St. Louis Republic.

A tidal wave of influenza has swept the old world and thousands are prostrated. The epidemic has leaped the Atlantic and is spreading over the eastern states.

#### Drifting to a Dependency.

If this country were poor in soil and the land refused to yield bountifully; if we had few resources, no coal, little wood and no great mines of gold, silver, copper and iron; if we were stricken with war or pestilence so that the fields could not be tilled, we might then expect such times as we are now having. We could then look for nothing else than poverty stricken men, women and children, business depressed and food scarce in the houses of laborers. But we have the best country on the face of the earth; we have better natural advantages than any people in Europe; we have rich soil, a healthy climate, and the richest of mineral deposits; yet with all these the country is going deeper in debt and no work for those who are compelled to labor, beg or suffer. We produce, but do not get returns for it. Property is depreciating in value and money is growing scarce, yet interest goes on just the same. This is not all of it: There is a combination on the part of those who own gold, to make money still harder to get hold of. This country of ours is under the financial control of foreigners. The capitalists of Europe are draining America of gold, and threaten us with still greater disaster, if we do not yield all to them. The question of a tariff, whether of revenue or for protection, is dwarfed into insignificance in presence of the peril that stands over us. Gold has conquered Europe: capital has brought the working classes of the Old World into a state of servitude, and the design is to reduce American laborers to the same condition. The policy of the great landowners of Europe is to permit the renters to win a bare subsistence; all the profits go into the pockets of the aristocracy.

If the present financial policy is maintained this country will soon present European conditions. England has now the cruel advantage and is pressing us to the wall with its incessant demand for gold. We are borrowing gold now, to pay interest on debts that were contracted in coin. This thing cannot go on very long until it will be too late for us to recover. If we would preserve the country from becoming a European dependency we must act now and irrespective of parties.—Ottumwa (Ia.) Sun.

We generally regard K. Lamity, of The Texas Harpoon as a funny man. He is a funny man, 'tis true, but that's no reason why we should take him for a "sap head." He has serious spells occasionally and when he is in that sort of a mood, and picks up his "facile faber" you may look for the "bull's eye" to be knocked out every time. In a late issue of The Harpoon, speaking of the case of Miss Hardin of Van Alstyne, who was seduced by a brute named Bailey, and overcame by shame and remorse, hung herself, white Bailey escapes with three years in the penitentiary, he delivers himself on that subject as follows:

"Texas Harpoon must condemn the verdict. Admitting that Bailey is guilty, the jury did wrong in sentencing him to the penitentiary. The good people of that vicinity ought to have carried the black-hearted devil out and hanged him with the same rope used by the unfortunate girl, and on the same tree. They hang negro rapists every clatter, yet send the white-faced libertine to the penitentiary. The latter is the worst of the two. He not only damns and disgraces the purest flower of the household, but he betrays the honors heaped upon him by unsuspected parents. The foul rapist, urged on by a beastly passion commits a heinous crime, but no blame is ever attached to his helpless victim. The scheming seducer is welcomed into the family, allowed the honor of paying court to the light of the household, and with honied words and faithless promises, debauches the pride of the father and the mother's joy. For the gratification of a passing whim, he wrecks a household and sends a spotless soul down the steep decline from heaven to hell. Hanging is entirely too delicious for such a brute. We detest mobs, but in the name of high heaven, we declare that in our opinion the roasting of a few villainous seducers would have a salutary effect upon that dastardly class of home wreckers."

Judge, said the colored witness, I wish you please, sah, make dis lawyer quit pestering me! But he has a right to question you. Dat may be Judge, but I see got a kinder rattlin' in my head, en if he worry me much, fust 'ting you know, I'll tell de truf 'bout dis matter!—Atlanta Constitution.

**Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder**  
Awarded Gold Medal Midwinter Fair, San Francisco.

#### Negro Emigration to Africa.

Waco, Texas, March 9.—Reports reach here of unrest in some of the thick settlements of colored people, attributed to the activity of agents of transportation companies who see a chance for making money in the big scheme in progress by causing a general exodus from the south to Africa, on the part of the negroes in the cotton states. Letters have been received from colored persons in the old states urging the Texas negroes to sell out and join the migration.

In conversation with leading colored men of Waco, the News reporter gleams that they do not encourage the migratory feeling, which they admit is abroad, nevertheless, they express the fear that it may gain large proportions and lead to sacrifices, suffering and great disappointment. A poster was shown recently at Reisel, grandly describing Liberia and especially Monrovia, a land depicted as an earthly paradise where, a growing colony, the Foster states, of negroes has been planted, negroes born and raised in the United States, and well fitted for becoming pioneers in the work of starting high African civilization in the native land of the race.

Everything is quiet on the Ross, Osbe, Kendall, Harrison and Johnson Brazos valley plantations and the colored tenants are busy plowing for crops as usual. Capt. Sam Johnson, who employs a large number of colored people said: I cannot observe any disposition to leave. I think the negroes in my neighborhood are likely to stay.

Mr. J. T. Stringer, who has been through Robertson and Brazos counties, said: The agents have been busy and may effect their end. I heard the negroes talking Africa as if entranced with the prospect offered by the migration society and I look for a move in Texas. White people are liable to act on an impulse diffused, which sends them off in crowds, sometimes. Negroes are more liable, and if they get a start like crickets, they may go swarming across the ocean, those of them that can raise the passage money. If they do, it will help out in the move to restrict the cotton production of the present year and the years to come. With cotton down in the bottomless pits, growers will not make a strong effort to prevent the exodus. They may even encourage it. Business principles govern in all things; it is all selfishness after all.

Let us make the fight within the lines of the democratic party, for silver. There is the place for the democrats to fight. After the battle has been fought and lost it will be time enough to talk of forming a new party or uniting with some party already formed. The democrats have not had a fair show on this question yet. A few members of the party turned traitor and sold out to Cleveland and Wall Street and these traitors by combining with the republicans were able to defeat any legislation in favor of silver. Let us leave these fellows at home next time and try to send honest and true democrats to take their places. If we fail, the friends of silver can cast about for some more effective modus operandi. To run off after some new party at this stage of the battle means certain victory for the enemy.—Wichita Herald.

Congressman Cooper of the Beaumont district, said in an interview with a Dallas News reporter: "If Reed is Speaker Bailey will be most favorably placed on committees. Their friendship is well known. Speaking further of Mr. Bailey, his popularity is increasing and he is perhaps more often than any other one man called to the chair. Unless the conditions which now exist materially change, it is an open secret that Bailey will aspire to senatorial honors when the matter comes up before the legislature who have the selection of Mr. Mills' successor."

#### Negroes Lynched.

Louisville, Ky., March 20.—A special to the Courier-Journal from Birmingham, Ala., says: Many houses and barns have been fired during the last few weeks around Tyler, Dallas county, and recently these crimes have become so frequent and bold as to leave no doubt that they were the work of an organized gang of incendiaries. The citizens, fully aroused, rose a few days ago to hunt the guilty parties.

Joe Smith, a negro living near Tyler, and suspected of being one of the guilty parties reached Selma to-day and reported that on Sunday night a number of white men visited a negro church and arrested Daniel Dawson, Robert Holman and James Holman and took them away in the darkness, and they have not been seen since. It is believed that they have been lynched. They were suspected of incendiaryism. Smith says the mob riddled his house with bullets two passing through his bed. He escaped through a rear door.

The Austin correspondent of The News says members of the legislature returned from the excursion to Galveston to find themselves severely criticised, but adds that "it is a conceded fact that the legislature has to date killed more democratic measures and political fads than adopted more practical propositions and has practically cut out more extravagances in government expense than any legislature since the democracy went into power." For its merits of omission, negating wildcat projects of legislation it has earned no small measure of thanks. Let it by all means persist strenuously in this kind of virtuous negation.—Dallas News.

Mr. Dewey expresses the opinion that the income tax law will be sustained by the Supreme Court. If you search the records of the case you will find that every case where a tax law is held null and void invariably decides against those who combat the law. The reason he assigns is that the government must have money, and that the courts decide with judicial loyalty to the Treasury. The judges would hardly relish being put on this low business plane. And yet with a deficiency of \$50,000,000 in the revenues, the nullification of a tax that will produce this sum, and probably more, is not a slight matter. It would mean an early session of congress, with a call upon the republicans to produce their plan for increasing the revenue.—New York World.

There is a severe proslavist justice in the dilemma that confronts the cotton manufacturers of New England. For the sake of a protective tariff much higher than they need, they have paid money and marshaled voters to prevent any tariff reform. They, in common with other New England manufacturers, to preserve their own bounties, have even stood in Pennsylvania in opposing free trade and iron ore, which they so need. And now they find the cheap coal of the South—\$0 to \$1.50 at Birmingham and \$1.50 to \$2.50 at Lowell of River—enables the cotton mill in the South to produce cloth cheaper than they can. The industry in New England has been ruined by the Pennsylvania tariff and now the cotton mills are moving South. And still the Hoars and Lodges go on shouting and log rolling for "protection."—New York World.

Old money orders are presented at the postoffice department almost every day, but the amount of the unpaid money order fund increases constantly, and there is no likelihood that any part of the \$1,300,000 will be claimed by its owners.

There are more gold watches worn among artisans and laboring men in the United States than in any two other countries on the face of the earth. Christopher Columbus died at Valladolid in 1506, aged 65.



**W. Graves, Texas.**  
 The postoffice at Graham, Texas, second class mail matter.  
 OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER AT GRAHAM, TEXAS.  
 ESTABLISHED BY ACT OF CONGRESS, MARCH 3, 1879.  
 No. 19th inst. The Spanish carrier, Horsa, sailed from Savannah, with 1097 negro emigrants and for Liberia.  
 A spiritualist committed suicide at Dallas and the widow said: "Sweetness tried to get me to promise him not to marry again after his death, but I positively refused to make such an absurd pledge." If the lady is not already engaged, there is a chance for some one who is advertising for a wife.—Denton Monitor.  
 New York is driving all the troops out of her limits and the foreign nobleman will hereafter have to court the American heiress by cable and mark "collect."  
 Atlanta Constitution: A word to borrowers. We learn that a good many people who are willing to borrow money are refusing the terms that lenders are now attaching to their loans and mortgages. While only ordinary forms of currency are asked for and granted, the face of the contracts contains a stipulation to the effect that payment shall be made in gold. We advise borrowers to run away from such one-sided contracts as these, which illustrate perfectly the tactics of the money sharks. Payment in gold is demanded, when gold is not delivered. Where there is a gold stipulation borrowers should demand gold. If lenders can not deliver gold, borrowers should fight shy of the gold contracts.  
 The gamblers have quit Memphis. Under a law of Tennessee they were compelled about the first of the year to put up \$1100 to make good the alleged losses of a "squaler" and since then there have been three other demands on them, and each time they put up. E. A. Harris, an ex-justice of the peace, who has been a heavy player for many years, recently demanded that his losses be made good. He alleged that he was out over \$70,000. When the demand was made the proprietors got together and concluded to close down.—Dallas News.  
 If all the politicians who talk economy both before and after elections would make a sincere effort to reduce expenses of government the people would soon be able to live. The London Times says no 60,000,000 of people can remain solvent or prosperous or have the confidence of the financial world who have to carry the annual expenses of government now fastened on the American people. One hundred and fifty millions per annum for pensions and high official salaries in proportion eat up the substance of the masses.—Texas Farmer.  
 Pueblo, Col., March 24.—A special to the Cheftain from Victor, near Cripple Creek, says the night passenger train on the Florence and Cripple Creek railroad was held up last night two miles south of Victor, and several hundred dollars secured.  
 Loyce, La., March 24.—The gas planing mill and 3,000,000 of lumber of Rainey, Hearne Harris of Fort Worth, Texas, which is located at Robertsville, was destroyed by fire this afternoon; also thirteen freight cars. Loss estimated at \$30,000; insurance \$13,000. The saw mill and office and were saved.  
 A Woman Who Will Work.  
 WANTED in every county to introduce the celebrated "Hygia" Wafers for all ages. This wafer surpasses the current, and has received the unanimous approval of the leading physicians of America. \$3.00 outfit free. Any energetic woman can make from \$15 to \$50 a week. Send for circulars and terms. HYGIA WAFER CO., 878 Canal St., New York.  
 \$500 Reward.  
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 The men who do their talking to President Cleveland through the newspapers have been indiscreetly quiet since he has been cut off from the newspapers. His return to Washington will start them off again however.

**Exec. OFFICE OF THE TAX COLLECTOR AT GRAHAM, TEXAS, March 20, 1900.**  
 To Tax Collectors: Referring to redemption of lands which have been sold to the State for taxes, you are respectfully advised as follows:  
 It appears that this Department for years past, under its construction of the law, has held that partial redemptions could not be made.  
 This construction is not concurred by me. It would seem to be a reasonable conclusion that persons whose lands have been bid in by the State for tax, have the right, under Art. 4759a Rev. Statutes, to redeem any portion of their rendition, by payment to redeem any portion of their rendition, by payment to the Tax Collector of the amount required to redeem that portion of the rendition sought to be redeemed.  
 It is believed that the object of the law is the collection of the tax, and not the requirement of land by the State.  
 You are therefore instructed, that upon application being made by the owner, or his agent, for the redemption of any real estate which has been bid in to the State for taxes, redemption will be permitted of any part of the original tract, block or lot, in all cases where the value thereof can be clearly determined, and the identity of such tract, lot or block can be definitely ascertained, upon payment of double the amount of tax for which sold and proportionate cost of sale, and all accrued taxes. Very Respectfully,  
 R. W. FINLEY, Comptroller.  
**Oh! The Pity of It!**  
 We are fully aware of the fact that it is impossible to exaggerate the horrors and the extent of the misery produced in the homes of a large proportion of the people by this drink habit; we know that we cannot fully estimate the loss and injury that the community suffer on account of its awful tax on the resources of labor; nor can we fathom all the crime and degradation that is the direct outcome of this terrible appetite for strong drink. No amount of regret can atone for the wail of a mother's awful agony over her lost son, no amount of good intentions will compensate the wife of a drunken husband, no tears of anguish or even real repentance will ever repair the broken hearts or stifle the cries of homeless, starving children who have been made worse than fatherless by the toleration, and even protection, that the liquor traffic has obtained through votes. Eternity alone will reveal all the horrors that this traffic in alcoholic poisons has produced. But that the people should tamely and willingly tolerate these atrocious outrages is a fact that challenges credulity and shocks our moral sense.—Democrat's Magazine.  
 A Little Girl's Prayer.  
 A little girl in Washington the other night, in saying her prayers, was told to pray for her father and mother who are both very ill, and for one of the servants who had lost her husband. She did as instructed, and concluded with these words: And now, O God, take good care of yourself, because if anything should happen to you we would all be pieces. Amen.—Chicago Record.  
 An advertisement has recently appeared which reads: "A book for the gay; just what you want; sent securely sealed for fifty cents." People who contributed fifty cents to the advertiser received a neat pocket bible by return mail. It was not what they expected, but they will only read it attentively they will never regret the investment.—Georgia Cracker.  
 Under reasonable conditions. Do not say it cannot be done, till you send for 120 page catalogue of DRAUGHON'S PRACTICAL BUSINESS COLLEGE, Nashville, Tenn. This college is strongly endorsed by bankers and merchants all over the United States, as well as Foreign Countries. FOUR weeks by Draughon's method of teaching book-keeping is equal to TWELVE weeks by the old plan. Special advantages in Shorthand, Penmanship and Telegraphy. Cheap board. Open to both sexes. 36 states and territories represented. Write for 120 page catalogue, which will explain "All." Address J. F. Draughon, Pres., Nashville, Tenn. (Mention this paper.)  
 N. B. This college has prepared books for "Home Study," book-keeping, penmanship and shorthand.  
 W. A. Morris, Dentist, over Beck-ham Bank. Artificial Crowns and teeth without plates. Modern Dentistry in all its branches.

**Local Option Enforcement.**  
 Brownwood Bulletin.  
 We hear that the county attorney of Brown county is making it rocky for the physicians of Brownwood who have been a little too free in issuing prescriptions that carried "bug juice" with them. The report is that eight of the leading physicians have been fined, and sentenced to twenty days in the county jail for irregularities in business. How is that Bro. Mays?—Menard Co. Enterprise.  
 As several incorrect reports have gone out regarding the enforcement of the local option law, and the Bulletin has been asked to give a correct statement, we will do so. There have been in all, seven cases tried in the County court since the law went into effect; in all these cases, except one, convictions have been had. One man has outstanding fines of \$300 and 120 days in jail, another has a \$25 fine and 20 days in jail, and one physician has \$50 fine and forty days in jail, another physician was fined \$25 and 20 days imprisonment but the indictment was quashed after trial. All in which convictions were had have been appealed and the appeals are at the present writing pending. There are fourteen cases still on the county court docket, all of these being against three physicians. There is a disposition on the part of the people generally to enforce the law and the anti and pro are united in the sentiment to punish wilful violators of the law. The county attorney, in his efforts has the hearty support of the people who have always borne a reputation as moral law abiding people. It has been clearly demonstrated here that the local option law can be enforced.  
 Tennessee has a sensation. The West Nashville Land company sold to the state for penitentiary purposes the Cockrell farm near Nashville. A number of leading politicians talked for the bargain and sang for the scheme in the usual patriotic fashion. Their eloquence and music went and the trade was closed. Recently W. H. Mitchell, through whom the deal was consummated, testified before the committee investigating alleged charges in connection with the construction of a new penitentiary. He declared that the West Nashville Land company had paid him \$2000 commissions when the state had bought the company's property for a farm, and that of this sum he paid to Adjutant Gen. Jno. A. Fite \$500 and to C. C. Estill, tax assessor, \$500. These patriotic officials have admitted that they were in it and have resigned.—Dallas News.  
 The Newspaper man continues to hatch up a good healthy generation of yarns. The following is the latest installment.  
 "Not long ago, he tells us, a gentleman in India owned a tame snake of a harmless kind, of which he was very fond and which returned his affection. On one occasion, at the approach of a dangerous tropical thunderstorm, the intelligent reptile overheard its master expressing his fears, and proved instantly equal to the emergency. Wriggling swiftly to the hearth, it ran up the chimney and stood on its head at the top, with its tapering tail elevated toward the clouds. The lightning rod thus improvised answered the purpose perfectly, and the danger was averted.  
 Again, a gentleman in New York was the proud possessor of a beautiful and amiable tortoise shell cat, notable alike for feline sounds and sound feline sense. One tempestuous night her owner, returning late and weary, could not find a boot jack and was unable to get off his heavy, wet boots. Pussy understood the situation immediately, and running lightly down stairs slipped out doors, mounted the clothes drier, emitted her very best howl—loud, long drawn, melancholy and moving. At once a shower of boot jacks rained down from the windows of the irate neighbors, and she had but to select the most suitable one and carry it in her mouth and lay it at her master's feet. She now wears a silver dollar in commemoration of her sagacity.  
 The third pet, declares this same man, belonged in London. He was a pug dog, who, becoming accidentally separated from his master and losing his way in the great metropolis, entered a cab, which he observed standing by the curb stone and refused to leave it until driven to the address on his collar.

**Horse Hides.**  
 The traffic in horse hides is reported to have increased at a rapid rate within the past five years. It has been found that the leather produced from them can be used in many ways once thought to be impracticable. The prices paid do not amount to more than a mere pittance, \$2 60, being the highest quotation, but that much from a dead horse is something. If, as we have been assured, Western horses are selling at \$90 to \$120 per one hundred head, perhaps the fact that their hides will bring more than that will justify their owners in killing them.  
 The country in all directions is overrun with the scrub, and one of the bright spots in the present situation arises from the almost absolute certainty that there will be much less done in the future in the way of breeding horses of the mediocre kind says the Horse Review. It does not pay to raise a horse at an expense of \$100 only to sell his hide for a dollar and a half. Neither does it pay to raise a horse only to dispose of him to the butcher for \$20 or less. Good horses, barring accidents, do not end their days on the block, and if the lessons of the past two years have been thoroughly learned, the good horse will not only have the coal, but will not be depreciated in price by the flood of scrubs.  
 Dr. Price's Cream Baking Powder  
 World's Fair Highest Award.  
 Relief in Six Hours.  
 Distressing Kidney and Bladder diseases relieved in six hours by the "NEW GREAT AMERICAN KIDNEY CURE." This new remedy is a great surprise on account of its exceeding promptness in relieving pain in the bladder, kidneys, back and every part of the urinary passages in male or female. It relieves retention of water, and pain in passing it almost immediately. If you want quick relief and cure this is your remedy. Sold by R. G. Graham, Druggist, Graham, Texas.  
**ARE YOU BANKRUPT** in health, constitution undermined by extravagance in eating, by disregarding the laws of nature, or physical capital all gone, if so, NEVER DESPAIR  
 Tutt's Liver Pills will cure you. For sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, torpid liver, constipation, biliousness and all kindred diseases.  
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**BRIAR PIPE GIVEN AWAY**  
 WITH EVERY ONE POUND bale OF  
**DUKES MIXTURE**  
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 Every pipe stamped DUKES MIXTURE or  
 2 oz. PACKAGES 5¢

**Election Notice.**  
 Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the City of Graham on Tuesday April 2nd, 1895, within the hours prescribed by Law for the election of a Mayor, City Marshal, Secretary and Collector, City Treasurer and four Aldermen to serve said city the ensuing term.  
 Done by order of City Council, March 2nd, 1895.  
 J. S. STARRBETT, Mayor.  
 Attest: R. U. McPHAIL, City Sec.  
 Each voter will vote for all officers at large.

**Notice.**  
 The First National Bank located at Graham, in the State of Texas, is closing up its affairs. All note holders and others, creditors of said Association, are therefore, hereby notified to present the notes and other claims against the Association for payment.  
 W. D. CRAIG, Pres't.  
 March 5th, 1895.

**THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE RULES THE WORLD.**  
 ALSO THE POCKET BOOK.  
 The wife and mother is consulted about the buying in every family. The choice of the cooking stove or range certainly should be left to her, and in every case where a woman is familiar with the CHARTER OAK, she selects it, because she knows it will do perfect work and effect a saving in time, labor and fuel, and will outlast any other.  
 EXCELSIOR MFG. CO., CHARTER OAK RANGE, ST. LOUIS, MO.  
 THE J. B. NORRIS HARDWARE CO.

**THE FARM AND HOME.**  
**GRASS AND MEADOWS DEMAND ATTENTION.**  
 Meadows That Will Be Permanent Are of Greatest Importance to Farmers—The Cow for Every Family—Farm Notes and Home Hints.  
 Grass and Meadows.  
 Grass is the most important of all farm products. It is the principal food of all the farm animals. If we count up the gross value of all the products that are derived from the grass, we shall find it to amount to a larger sum than that of any other grains grown, and perhaps more than that of every other farm crop taken together.  
 This shows the importance of giving the grass the best possible cultivation and the enormous losses that result from the general carelessness with which farmers treat this great product.  
 There are a great many kinds of grasses. Some are annuals; that is, they grow and mature their seed, and then die. Others are perennials; that is, they go on growing year after year for a great many years, and if well fed with manure and fertilizers they will go on growing and supporting cattle and sheep for hundreds of years. In England, where the farmers give more attention and care to the meadows, there are fields that have never been plowed for hundreds of years. And such fields are so highly valued that no temptation in the form of money would induce the owner of the land to break up these meadows and destroy the grass.  
 The perennial grasses are the most valuable and are mostly grown. The farmer has little use for any kind of grass except one that will occupy the land for two or three years. But yet there is reason to believe that more attention might be given to the more permanent grasses that would make meadows, that, by the right treatment, would last for a great many years.  
 The common practice is to sow grass with clover, or grass alone, for two crops of hay, and one year of pasture and then plow the land for wheat or corn, or some other crop. This is a very good practice, because the roots of the grass and clover, and the stems and leaves afford most valuable manure for the crops following. It has been found by accurate measure and weighing that one square foot of the sod of a grass field, shaken free of the adhering soil, weighed two pounds. If we take the number of square feet in an acre of land and multiply it by two we shall find the total weight of the sod of an acre of land at this rate to equal more than eighty tons. And this is a very good reason why a grass crop as grass must need the very best preparation of the land. And this is a truth that unfortunately few farmers realize as they should do. The land must be well plowed, thoroughly well harrowed to make it fine for the very small seed, and it must be well manured to feed the grass that it may grow strong and thick upon the ground. It is considered best by good farmers to plow the land in the fall, turning under plenty of manure and high soil, seeding with the grass at the same time. This is done because the grass is very weak at first, and it is feared that a few dry days in the spring might kill the young weak plants. And this does happen at times, but if it does, the reason is that some of the seed has been made.  
 We have learned that young plants will live upon the soil, but that is stored in the soil, but that as soon as this is exhausted, the roots get the food from the soil. To do this it is necessary that the roots should be in the soil. But unless the seed have been sown in the soil the roots will not be in, but only on the soil, and thus, if a few dry days come after the grass ends have sprouted, the tender roots will be dried and killed and the expected grass will not be seen. Doubtless this is the reason for much disappointment among farmers who do not sow the seed and at once cover it, as all seeds should be.  
 This goes to show that the newly sown grass seeds should be covered by the soil, by means of a light harrowing, as soon as the sowing is completed. Then there is no risk of damage by dry weather, for the roots will be able to gather food and support the young grass. But this covering should be very light, on account of the smallness of the grass seeds. And for this special work light grass seeding harrows are made, or should be for this use. Some farmers use a plank or two, or three, or more of them for this work, and a drag of this kind is made by fastening the planks together by short chains so that they may be dragged over the land and so cover the seed.  
 Grasses are what are called sociable plants, that is, several kinds grow together better than one alone. Thus, when several kinds are thus sown together, they grow quite closely and soon make a thick mat or sod, and this helps to prevent the escape of moisture from the soil, as might happen if the land were partly bare and exposed to the sun and wind. There is another reason for this mixing of kinds of grass: this is, that some grow faster than others, and some start to grow later in the season. This will increase the quantity of feed from the grass, because there is a continuous growth of fresh herbage all through the season. And while the earlier kinds are recovering from the pasturing of the cattle or sheep the later kinds are coming on and furnish feeding. Some kinds of grass have what are called fibrous roots, that is, the roots spread from the bottom of the stem in a bunch of long, slender fibers. But others have so-called creeping roots that run along just under the surface, and being furnished with buds or eyes, new sprouts grow from these and make new plants. It is easily seen how soon the land may become quickly covered with plants of this character, and in a few years there will be a dense sod that will completely cover the ground and make the best of pasture. All that is wanted then to have a permanent growth of grass year after year is to furnish abundance of food for grass and sow fresh seed in places where it may be wanted, and the farmer may wish. To do this the best way is to study the nature of the various grasses, so that he may choose the right kind for this use. Then he must take care to prepare the land in the best manner to the outset, and sow sufficient seed to cover the ground, allowing for any loss by imperfect seed, as is always to be guarded against, and when he has made a good beginning, to keep the grass growing by feeding it liberally with manure or fertilizers as may be required.  
 A Family Cow.  
 In the articles for the press it is usually presumed that the writer is addressing those who have dairies, and the man with one cow is overlooked, and in this connection we here give the views of A. L. Crosby in the matter, a man in every way competent to give advice in the keeping of one cow.  
 Every family in moderate circumstances living in the country, needs a good family cow; and if the family include children, the need becomes almost a necessity. The great objection urged against keeping a family cow is the expense, which is supposed by many who are unacquainted with the facts to heavily overbalance the income. But the reverse is as easily shown to be the truth, taking into consideration the difficulty of buying good milk, even in the country, the cost of the same, and often the disappointment in not being able to get it just when most needed (all mothers appreciate this). I think when the account is footed up, it will be found that the family cow will prove herself to be a money-maker. But right here comes the point which decides the question of profit or loss in keeping a family cow, and that is, the kind of cow kept. There can be no question as to whether or not it will pay to keep a poor cow, for it will not; but as to keeping a good cow, there is no doubt as to its being a profitable business from a dollar point of view, and the Jersey cow answers this purpose admirably. The family cow must not only supply the family with milk, but with butter, also, and this the Jersey will do. And Jersey cream being easily churned, it is an easy matter for those comparatively ignorant of butter-making to manage it in a satisfactory way. This point is too often overlooked, but it is a very important one and should be better known, as also should the fact that Jersey milk is easy to cream, the cream rising under very adverse conditions. The Jersey is a hearty feeder, and as a family cow will learn to eat much kitchen waste—Colman's Rural World.  
 Farm Notes.  
 The brood sow should have range so she can exercise.  
 Feed more and more as long as you see more milk coming.  
 When ground is well prepared less cultivation will be needed.  
 Shorts, bran and corn meal is a good feed for the sows and pigs.  
 The pigs should be pushed from the start and sold at eight or ten months of age.  
 If there is a wet place on the farm drain it. It is likely the richest land on the place.  
 Customized hulls are highly recommended by the Mississippi experiment station for strawberry mulch.  
 It is impossible to plant some of the varieties. It is best to choose only a few of the best, and such as will give a good succession of fruit.  
 Do not enclose the cow until she has failed after being well fed and cared for. Cows often do poorly because they have no opportunity to do well.  
 Home Hints.  
 Never put salt on a steak until after it is cooked.  
 Mend the torn pages of books with white tissue paper.  
 Mortar and paint may be removed from glass with hot, sharp vinegar.  
 In purchasing canned goods it is a safe rule to observe whether the head of the can is concave, a bulging appearance being indicative of decomposition.  
 Lay a thick piece of Canton flannel under your tubcloset. Even coarse napery will look a much better quality with a tubcover than if spread directly over the tubcloset top.  
 Bath basins are filled with almond meal, bran, orris root, or crushed lavender flowers, with borax or lavender castile soap. The bag floats upon the water when not in actual service.  
 Experience has shown that once a month is often enough to wash the hair. Lining the bath tub with a sheet is a very original device when one must use a tub that is at the service of a number or succession of people.  
 Fiction Founded on Fact.  
 Robert Louis Stevenson told a Washington writer that his story of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" had for its foundation an incident related to him by a London doctor, who made diseases of the brain a specialty. None of his work was absolute fiction and most of it had a basis in actual experience. "I do not believe," he said, "that any man ever evolved a really good story from his inner consciousness unaided by some personal experience or incident of life."  
 Triumph of Bad Spelling.  
 Mr. R. E. Bartlett, London, writes: "I can beat the achievement of Charles Edward, who, by spelling box 'bots', made more mistakes than the letters admit of. I have in my possession a letter addressed many years ago to my father, in which thirteen mistakes are made in a word of five letters. The word is, or was meant to be, usage; the spelling is youzliche. There are thus five sins of omission and eight of commission—total thirteen."

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**The Graham Leader.**  
**LOCAL MATTERS.**

No election for city school trustees can be held next Tuesday, as no legal notice of it has been given.

E. H. Morrison has returned from the Eastern markets, where he purchased a line of dry goods and groceries. He will have his store open in about ten days or two weeks.

Good rains have fallen north, northeast and east of Graham. The Mineral Wells stage driver reports a good season from Finis eastward. Uncle Jimmie Moore says it rained and hailed between Graham and Jacksboro.

If you want to avail yourself of the offer of the LEADER and the Fort Worth Gazette both one year for one dollar, you must hurry up, for the offer will soon expire. If you are already a subscriber to the LEADER and in arrears it will be necessary for you to pay up all arrears and one year in advance. This will entitle you to the Gazette free.

**WANTED.**

Traveling salesmen to represent the Young County Nursery. Apply at once.  
J. A. GACHTER, Manager.

H. C. Williams returned Monday night with his man.

Justice Court convened Monday. Only one case was tried, J. M. Cole vs. W. L. Hawkins; verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

Fresh Fruits of all kinds and at the lowest prices.  
BIGHAM & CRAIN.

Say you who promised to bring us stove wood on subscription, we wish you'd get a small sized double huffle on yourselves and bring it. If the present conditions are continued much longer, we will lapse into barbarism, an account of having to eat our chicken "raw." Don't forget now; we want some stove wood P. D. Q.

Fresh Mackerel. Best in the market, at Bigham & Crain's.

M. M. Burris, of True community, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. D. C. Brooks visited at Mineral Wells last week.

Mrs. H. E. Eddieleman went to Finis last Friday to attend the sickness of her grand child.

Pure Maple Syrup. Guaranteed. Try it.  
BIGHAM & CRAIN.

Little Lou Cunningham has pneumonia.

Dr. C. M. Seegin departed last Monday on a business trip to other points in Texas.

Miss O'Donnell visited friends at Whitt the first of the week.

M. M. Wade returned from a month's visit to East Texas last Monday night. He reports hard times down there. Many farmers are out of corn and prospects are gloomy indeed.

R. E. Mabry is preparing to build a dwelling in the East end of the city.

**Bower Nurseries.**

All who desire young fruit trees, shrubbery, small fruit, such as berries, etc., will find them at the Bower Nurseries. This Nursery needs no introduction at our hands its interests have been identified with Young county for several years. Call and examine stock and get prices.

A. A. Timmons, Capt. camp No. 127, U. C. V., was in town yesterday arranging the preliminaries for the 5th annual meeting and reunion of U. C. V. to meet at Hous-ton, May 22nd, 23rd and 24th. A number of the camp here are booked for attendance.

**STOLEN.**

From my farm, 11 miles S. E. of Graham, one black mare five years old, 14 1-2 hands high, branded circle on left thigh; broke to work and ride. Liberal reward for her recovery.  
J. H. NEWBY.

There are quite a number of vacant residences in town. The building boom did it.

J. H. and Zach Randolph are shelving, painting and otherwise improving their business house, which will be occupied by E. H. Morrison.

P. A. Martin and Rowell Graves have gone to Wichita Falls.

Miss Fannie Munnerlyn, who has been visiting in Waco for some months returned home last Friday. She was accompanied by Mrs. J. T. Cunningham, her sister, who will remain here on a visit for some time.

**Program.**

Teacher's Institute at Farmer, April 19th and 20th, 1895.

**FRIDAY.**

Song and Prayer.  
Recitation: Janie Stafford.  
1. Class management and methods of conducting the recitation. Profs. Farmer, Hardgraves, Keathly, Misses Marvie Johnson and Minnie Davis. Recitation: Mildred Jewell.  
2. The essentials of a good text book. Profs. Blakely, Compton, Underwood, Misses Clayton and LeGrand. Recitation: Leila McJimsey.

**NOON.**

Recitation: Donnie Brooks.  
3. What Legislation is Needed to perfect our Public School system? Profs. R. Lindsey, F. Lindsey, Misses McJilton and Neal. Recitation: Josie Kendall.  
4. Fads and Hobbies. Do you have them? Profs. Fowler, Higgins, Dillard, Misses Whittenberg and Ellis. Recitation: Sallie Chisum.

**NIGHT SESSION.**

Song and Prayer. Recitation: Cleo Hindman.  
1. Query Box. General discussion. Recitations: Bernice Gallagher and Mattie Morrison.  
2. Duties of Trustees: Discussion. Profs. Farmer, Fowler, Lindsey, F. Lindsey, Whittenberg, Parish, and Compton. Recitations: Alice Stewart and Georgia Jewell.

**SATURDAY.**

Opening song and prayer. Recitation: Annie Morrison.  
1. How to build up a school. Profs. Hardgraves, Farmer, Compton, Misses McJilton and Elkins. Recitation: Hattie McJimsey.  
2. The teacher. What are his essential qualifications? Profs. R. Lindsey, F. Lindsey, Keathly, Dillard and Miss Minnie Davis. Recitation: Cornelia Jewell.  
Noon.  
Opening song. Recitation: Cleo Hindman.  
3. Is Normal Training necessary to make a successful teacher? Profs. Blakely, Higgins, Stinson and Whittenberg. Recitation: Miss Mollie McJilton.  
4. Physical Culture, Elocution and Music: Should they be a part of the free school curriculum? Profs. Lindsey, Fowler, Hardgraves, Compton and Farmer. Recitation: Miss Lulu O'Donnell.

A lot of Buckwheat Flour. A splendid article at  
BIGHAM & CRAIN'S.

Mrs. Wm. Wright and her daughter, Miss Nora, were in town trading Monday.

D. C. Brooks had the misfortune to lose his large Percheron horse last Monday night. Mr. Brooks has been unfortunate, this being the second one of these horses he has lost.

Prof. Parish closed his school at Belknap last week and made a bee line for Mineral Wells, like unto that described by the frisky yearling when perused by the much despised and importunate hee fly. He announced that he was going to have quite an entertainment at the close but our correspondent has not sent us an account of it yet. It was doubtless an occasion to be remembered.

Rev. Jno. M. Barcus and family, of Vernon, are visiting in Graham. Bro. Barcus held a quarterly conference at Olney last Saturday.

George Terrell drove the True mail down Tuesday. He reports splendid rains up in his community. He says he sent what he didn't need down Salt Creek for the benefit of Graham.

Come and see our clothing and we will save you 25 cents on every dollar's worth you buy. We buy for cash, therefore we can, and will sell you cheaper than any house in town. Call at the store of  
SHUMAKER BROS.

A marriage license was issued to J. F. Fisher and Miss Mary Hughes, March 23rd.

T. P. Wilkerson and family were visiting in town this week.

Al Blakey and Miss Mattie Brown were married last Friday night. It was an elopement.

The citizens of the South ward are running J. B. Shumaker for one of their aldermen. The LEADER thinks this a good choice.

A heavy stock of clothing fresh from the markets, just received, newest, nicest cuts, most correct styles and cheaper than ever.  
MORRISON, STREET & Co.

**A Letter From State Superintendent Carlisle.**

Austin, Texas, Mch. 21, 1895.  
N. J. Timmons, Graham, Texas.  
Dear sir: The following will indicate the school bills now pending before the legislature:  
Senate Bill No. 145, providing for a more efficient mode of taking the scholastic census.  
Senate Bill No. 162, restricting expenditures of the school fund, providing for more careful auditing of school fund accounts, preventing illegal disbursements of school funds, and requiring school vouchers to be registered and to be paid in the order of registration.  
House Bill 571, raising the state school tax to the constitutional maximum of twenty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation. This bill has passed the house and is now pending in the senate.  
Senate Bill No. 171, to exempt the public schools from forced suspension on legal holidays and provide for payment of teachers' salaries for teaching on holidays.  
Senate Bill No. 172, to prevent the issuance of local permanent certificates.

House Bill No. 296, providing for a county board of education in each county to re-district the county when necessary, to classify the schools into primary, intermediate and high schools, provide courses of study for each class of schools and regulate promotions of pupils.  
House Bill No. 297, to authorize the organization of school corporations including municipal corporations that have not assumed control of their public schools.  
House Bill No. 225, to authorize the organization of school districts lying partly in two or more counties and school communities each composed of persons living in two or more counties.  
House Bill No. 298, to define sectarian schools and to prevent the use of public school funds in support of sectarian schools.  
The above is an extract of a letter to Judge Timmons from Supt. Carlisle, and he desires an expression from every one interested in the public schools of Young county, in order that he may communicate intelligently with our representatives on the subject. If you desire the passage of any of the above measures make your wishes known at your earliest convenience.

**OBITUARY.**

ELLA SINGLETON was born near Sugarloaf, Callesieu Parish, La., Feb. 9th, 1876; moved to Texas with her parents when 5 years old, settling in McLennan county, moved from there to Hood; and in 1887 moved to Young county, where she lived until five months prior to her death. She attended the full term of Waco Baylor University. After an illness of fourteen days she died at the residence of her aunt, Mrs. Ethan Allen, Jan. 5, 1895, in Waco.  
She professed religion and joined the Baptist Church at South Bend in the summer of 1891. She told her relatives just before death that she was trusting in Jesus. She was interred in Oakwood Cemetery, the funeral being conducted by Dr. R. C. Burleson and Prof. Kyger.  
On Sunday, March 17th, the South Bend Baptist Church adopted the following resolutions:  
Resolved, That in the death of sister Ella Singleton South Bend Church has lost one of its most beloved members, and one who bade fair to become a most useful worker for the master; and that we deeply deplore the death of one so young and so promising, but bow submissively to Him who doth all things well, and who has gained the victory over death, and destroyed its sting. That our prayers for the sorrowing relatives and friends in their bereavement are, that they may find consolation in Him who has said, "I am the Resurrection and the Life."  
Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the church minutes and a copy presented to the bereaved family, and that the GRAHAM LEADER be requested to publish the same.  
B. H. PAYNE,  
MARY KEETER,  
ALICE LINDSEY,  
Com'tee.

**Strayed or Stolen.**  
One sorrel horse, about 15 hands high, branded AC on left shoulder and RH on left hip.  
A suitable reward will be paid for information leading to his recovery.  
Address  
REV. J. A. BURKS,  
Mineral Wells, Texas.  
Good heavy yard wide brown domestic 5 cents.  
Good heavy yard wide bleached domestic 5 cents.  
Oil red and other good prints 5 cents.  
Cotton checks, 30 yards for \$1 at  
SHUMAKER BROS.

**Weather Forecasts.**

By special arrangements with Prof. C. M. Rickman, at a heavy expense, THE OWL will be furnished with this gentleman's forecasts, and by the sharing of this expense THE LEADER will give its readers the benefit of same. We take the following very complimentary notice from the OWL, of its issue of March 22nd.  
"THE OWL of this issue begins the publication of official Weather Reports by Prof. C. M. Rickman, who is more weather wise than a muskrat, whose great age and long residence in Texas makes his reports of the utmost accuracy and reliability." Prof. Rickman has for years predicted with startling accuracy the changes of our weather and when he is unable to predict any change you may conclude that there will not be any weather. So when THE OWL says rain you may as well take in your washing."

**THE FORECAST FOR NEXT WEEK.**  
Monday: Cool and dry.  
Tuesday: Dry and cool.  
Wednesday: Warm and Spring-like.  
Thursday: Springlike and warm.  
Friday: Different weather.  
Saturday: Weather different.  
Sunday: Good time for THE OWL to go see his Hard Shell friends.  
Judge Timmons is rusticiating among the country schools this week.

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